



CENTRAL OHIO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION



Box 1561, Dublin, OH 43017

October 2017

When: 7 p.m., Oct. 18
Where: Oakstone Academy
900 Club Dr., Westerville
Who: Christopher R. McDowell
Topics: Revolutionary War finances

October presentation

Christopher R. McDowell, the editor of *The Colonial Newsletter* and author of *Abel Buell and the History of the Connecticut and Fugio Coinages*, will discuss how the Revolutionary War was paid for. The talk will focus on the fiscal paper, notes, and bills used to pay Washington's Army and buy everything from guns to ships.

Revolutionary War debt greatly influenced the early days of this nation – among other things, it led to the founding of political parties and the current location of our nation's capital.

Many of us are aware of Continental Currency, but how was the war financed after the value of these notes collapsed in early 1781? Chris will dispel some of the heroic myths of this nation's founding and explain and show examples of the financial instruments that were used to keep the Continental Army in the field and win the War for Independence.

September presentation

Tom Babinszki gave one of the most interesting presentations we've ever had - the joys of collecting if you're blind.

Tom wrote a journal entry about the night on his blog - <http://blindcoincollector.com>

Here's an excerpt from this report:

Last year, after I spoke at the Chicago Coin Club,



I got an email from Gerry Tebben, from the Central Ohio Numismatic Association asking me to speak at their club as well. It was the middle of winter, and traveling to Columbus is not the easiest thing from here, so we agreed that I'll try my best to either take a trip when the weather gets warmer, or when work takes me there. Unexpectedly, I got a work assignment in Columbus, so I called Gerry if they were available that week. This is how I got to present at the CONA Coin Club. When I got the original invitation, I had no idea that one of the best clubs was asking me to speak at their meeting. ...



I also received an invitation to join some of the club members at their traditional before meeting dinner. I particularly enjoyed that people have such a wide variety of knowledge about different types of coins. The club is 110 years old, amongst other things they have educational presentations. A couple of the members are also writing at Coin World.

My presentation was about enjoying coins by touch, a modified version of what I presented in Chicago. In general, I don't like to present the same thing, especially when I have a chance to meet the participants of my presentation, because based on the conversation I can get a better sense of what it is they would be interested in.

I don't want to get into the details of my presentation, people who read this blog have a general idea of what I have to say about collecting by touch, however, I did bring a few coins to show, including the 2017 Hungarian Irinyi commemorative, as well as a 1510.

I got to touch two very interesting things at the show and tell. One was a small gold nougat, and a fake Morgan Dollar. I have touched interesting gold pieces, but never an original nougat. The fake coin was interesting too, it wasn't even silver, and the plating was

coming off of it. Fortunately there was a real Morgan floating around, so it was interesting to hold them side by side. Dropping both on the table it was obvious which was the fake one, but just by holding them not necessarily. One felt newer and more beaten as well, which was the fake.

Tom, who intends to become a member thinks he'll be able to join us in November.

2017 Ohio State Coin Show

By all accounts, the 2017 Ohio State Coin Show was a huge success! The show was, once again, sold out. I think that the Silent Auction, Book Sale, Exhibits, and wooden nickels added positively to the show experience. The Youth Treasure Hunt appeared to contribute to a lot of smiling faces running around the bourse floor on Saturday.

I would like to give a huge THANK YOU to the more than 50 CONA Club members who came to help. Your efforts were greatly appreciated, not only by me and the rest of the Bourse Team, but by the dealers and attendees.

I wish I could share with you the compliments that I heard. I hope you heard some as well. One favorite of mine was from a "second-year" dealer who suggested that we set up a large tip jar at the Registration desk for the Green Hats to thank them for the help that they give the dealers. He suggested that the money could be used for a charitable donation from the club. Perhaps we can discuss that idea before next year's show.

Public attendance at the show was very good. We had 223 attendees on Friday, 177 on Saturday with an additional 22 returnees, and 56 on Sunday with 15 more returnees. In addition to the public count, we had 10 Early Birds, many of whom attended multiple days.

I hope to have a preliminary financial report prepared for the October CONA Club meeting. At the suggestion of some of the dealers, I had contracts for the 2018 OSCS ready at this year's show, and we already have more than 20 dealers signed up, most with a financial deposit, and some paid in full.

We are off to a good start, mostly due to everyone's wonderful efforts this year.

Thank you all.

Patty Cass

Bourse Team Member

Steve Petty at CSNS seminar

Steve Petty gave an expanded version of his presentation on the contemporary value of Seated Liberty dollars at the Central States Numismatic Society's fall seminar in St. Charles, Ill., last month. A full report will be in the next issue of *The Centinel*.



At dinner the owners of two of the rarest silver dollars sat across the table from each other, making for an interesting discussion. Steve owns one of nine known 1870-S dollars and Bob Campbell, former ANA president, owns an 1804 dollar, of which 15 are known.

Best deal in numismatics

The E-Sylum, the best deal in Numismatics, is free. Every week Editor Wayne Homren puts together a package of a dozen or so articles that were either submitted directly to him or placed in established publications, such as Coin World.

The "magazine," the electronic publication of the Numismatic Bibliomania Society, is distributed by email every Sunday night by NBS Webmaster Bruce Perdue.

It's also distributed later in the week by the ANA to members who have signed up for the distribution. Currently it's distributed to nearly 3,300 subscribers and untold number of readers through the ANA.

It's good work, professional published and distributed at no charge. It doesn't get any better than this.

You can subscribe at this site: lists.capalon.com/lists/listinfo/esylum

September winners:

Door prizes: Denny R , Vern W , Chet B , Garlene S

Quiz: John R

Raffle: Ken O - MS 65 1938-D buffalo

50/50: William B was not present, so the jackpot rolls over.

Columbus Coin Show

When: Oct 15 - 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Where: Makoy Center, 5462 Center, Hilliard

Admission: CONA members get in free

Club auction

Send November lots to Steve B - sbarnet5@columbus.rr.com - by Nov. 6.

Christmas banquet

Our Christmas banquet will be Dec. 13, the SECOND Wednesday of the month. The third Wednesday is just too close to the holiday to work.

Hilltop auction

When: Oct. 24 (5:30 p.m. lot viewing)

Where: Grove City Coin, 2655 Columbus St.

Lancaster Masonic Lodge auction

Details: www.dafauction.com

Website

Check the CONA website, conacoinclub.com, for updated information on club activities, Ohio coin events.

Raffle and club shirts

The OCTOBER raffle coin is a PCGS AU-58 1914 Buffalo Nickel in an old holder (2nd Gen?). Tickets are \$1 each, 6 for \$5, 13 for \$10.

Info about the NOVEMBER raffle: The raffle item will be a 2017-S Silver Proof Set. Ticket prices the same. HOWEVER, those who purchase AT LEAST \$5 worth of tickets will also receive one different color ticket for the SECONDARY raffle draw. This ticket will be good for a chance on 15 different prizes. First winner gets choice, and so on.

CLUB SHIRTS - I have had some interest in a new shirt order. As last time, to get a decent price, I will need at least 12 shirts in the order. Please see me if you need one! -- **Gary**



A Numismatic Noel

Wednesday, December 13, 2017

*The Crowne Plaza
600 Metro Place North
Dublin, OH 43017*

Cash Bar 5:30 – Buffet Dinner 7:00 p.m.

Tomato Caprese Salad

With Tomatoes, Fresh Mozzarella, Basil, Olive Oil, & Balsamic Reduction

Pecan & Pear Salad

*Toasted Pecans, Shaved Pears, Dried Cranberries & Gorgonzola Cheese with
an Apple Cider Vinaigrette
(Pecans & Gorgonzola Cheese will be served on the side)*

Chicken Picatta

Served with a Lemon & Caper Cream Sauce

NY Striploin

With a Demi Glace

Herb Crusted Baked Cod

Served with a Burre Blanc Sauce

Mashed Potatoes, Roasted Broccoli, & Cauliflower

Freshly Baked Rolls with Butter

Chef's Assortment of Holiday Desserts

*Regular & Decaf Coffee, Assorted Hot Teas,
& Ice Tea*

\$10.00 Members – \$40.00 Non-members

*RSVP: Lexa Petty (614) 657-2963,
LPetty@eesgroup.us, or sign up at the meetings!*